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KANSAS NEWS.

McPherson county is infested with horse thieves.

Susan B. Anthony will lecture at Beloit on January 8th.

The corn crop in Kansas this year was 140,000,000 bushels.

A colony has been formed at Wichita to go to No Man's Land.

Syracuse is to have a three story brick hotel and opera house.

Hog cholera has broken out in Phillips and Osborne counties.

It is reported that the Coolidge Border Ruffian has suspended.

A new street railway is one of the coming improvements of Newton.

The bonds of the Salina, Sterling and El Paso roads are at Hutchinson.

The union ex-prisoners of war have formed associations at Lawrence and Concordia.

The village of Hartland is coming into prominence as a "bad boy" town.

Wolves are so bold in Morton county that they bark at travelers in the daytime.

It is proposed to cultivate exclusively here in Kansas, the Russian sunflower for fuel.

In Sherman county some of the farmers are plowing and getting ready for spring crops.

A little girl was accidentally shot and killed at McCune, recently, by a 11 year-old boy.

Phillips county has eleven divorce cases on the docket for the next term of the district court.

Clifton has organized a coal company with a capital stock of \$20,000. Work will begin soon.

McPherson desires to be known as the Indianapolis of Kansas, and wants the capital moved there.

William F. Edwards is in jail at Paola for robbing the United States mail. He was a mail carrier.

A Congregational church at Atwood with a membership of thirteen has built a \$2,200 church building.

The "Cow Boy Band" of Dodge City, will be present at the inauguration of Governor elect Adams, of Colorado.

J. P. Pomeroy, of Atchison, is the heaviest taxpayer in Graham county, his taxes for the present year being \$2,000.

A ten-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler fell into a kettle of boiling water last week and was scalded to death.

The Wichita Eagle says: An anxious public is breathlessly awaiting the answer of Kansas to McPherson's claim to the state capital.

They are having a bloody time in Wichita county over the county seat. One man was murdered because he did not vote as he agreed.

More buildings have been erected in the twelve months just passed in Clay Center and county in general than any two years of its history.

A Riley county teacher has been compelled to marry one girl, another has sued him for breach of promise, and two more are after him.

Wichita has a minister, a good one by the way, who goes by the name of 24x140. He has made his stake in corner lots in the embryo city.

The Dodge City Times says that great excitement prevails in the city over the opening of the Neutral Strip, or as it is better known as No-Man's-Land.

According to the Garden City Sentinel, they are having a lively time in Morton county over the county seat, Richfield and Frisco being the contestants.

An old soldier at Leavenworth by the name of Isaac Rawlins got drunk and had both hands and a leg so badly frozen that they had to be amputated.

Wm. Hogans, who was arrested at North Lawrence several weeks ago for embezzlement, has brought suit to the amount of \$1,000 for false imprisonment.

The Wichita Mining and Investment company have ordered the most complete machinery and will bore for natural gas. They expect to go down a thousand feet.

According to the Garden City Sentinel that town is quite modest in regard to railroads. They only expect four, but should any more be offered they will take them.

The Garden City Herald: The 187 pound squash exhibited at the exposition last October has been downed by a California production which tips the beam at 251 pounds.

In anticipation of the annexation of No Man's Land to Kansas, Richfield is agitating the creation of a new laid district with Richfield as the point where the office should be located.

Oberlin has a public library of 137 volumes.

The first term of court ever held in Lane county convened at Dighton on December 21st.

The Leavenworth savings bank recently commenced operations with a capital stock of \$100,000.

Elevator "A," owned by S. P. Weeks, at Kinsley, burned down recently. Loss \$75,000; insured for \$50,000.

The number of children of school age in Labette county, Kansas, is 10,495, only five counties in the state having a larger number.

The bill that recently passed the house extends the free delivery system to Emporia, Fort Scott, Ottawa, Wellington, Winfield and Kansas City.

The Soldiers' Home at Leavenworth now contains 1,100 ex-volunteer soldiers, and by the 1st of April it is thought it will have 1,600. Of the present number of inmates 400 are from Kansas.

The Missouri Pacific and Texas Pacific are having quite a row at Parsons, the former endeavoring to keep the latter from crossing its track. Trouble is anticipated.

Through the efforts on Hon John A. Anderson a bill has passed the house providing for a school of cavalry and light artillery instruction at Fort Riley, by a vote of 138 to 88.

Surveys are in progress for the Kansas City & Pacific road between Kansas City and Parsons, Kansas, which is supposed to be in the interest of the Chicago & Alton.

The Harper Sentinel says: "Harper has no less than five paper railroads running into her harbor, and more good looking girls to the block than any other city in the state."

A Baxter paper reports the death of "Grandma" King, a member of the Ottawa tribe, on the reservation in south of that place, at the age of 103 years. She was in good health up to the day of her death.

The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe will soon begin the construction of a telegraph line from Topeka to Chicago for the use of Chief Engineer Robinson. This telegraph line will follow the route of the new Chicago extension.

A very disagreeable story report from Topeka that Rev. Henry W. George, of the First Presbyterian church, has been compelled to resign the pastorate of that church under charges of theft.

The Topeka Democrat says: A more cultured and refined body of men and women never assembled before in the capital of Kansas than at the Kansas Teachers' State Association, which is with us to day.

The Fredonia Citizen suggests that the legislature should give the name of Whittier to one of the new counties to be created this winter, in honor of the great poet who has been so true and loving a friend to Kansas and humanity.

In speaking of great railroad boom, that is now "on" in Kansas the News County News says: "The town in western Kansas that is not reasonably certain of having six or seven railroads within the next year is not much of a village after all."

In their report, the railroad commissioners of Kansas say: "What Kansas needs is a market for her flour and cereals nearer home than is afforded by prices based on foreign demand. We confidently expect that the building of a system of railroads between Texas and Kansas will solve the problem."

The case of the State of Kansas vs. Warner Litter, charged with manslaughter, was taken up by the court Tuesday evening and continued till Thursday evening. With some difficulty a jury was impaneled, after which the examination of witnesses was begun. The evidence was all in by Thursday noon, and the afternoon was spent by the lawyers in sifting the testimony. After being out half an hour the jury brought in a verdict of "not guilty."

The third annual meeting of the Kansas equal suffrageists will be held in Topeka on the 11th, 12th and 13th of January. The convention will open in Music hall on Tuesday, 11th, at 2 o'clock p. m. All sessions of the convention will be public, and all are cordially invited. Among the speakers will be the noted Susan B. Anthony, of New York, who will occupy the first evening; Mrs. Clara B. Colby, of Nebraska; Mrs. E. L. Saxon, of Tennessee; Professor James H. Canfield and W. H. Coruth, of the state university; Mrs. Fannie Rastall, president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union; Mrs. Anna E. Diggs, of Lawrence, and Rev. C. H. Rogers, of Seneca.

Larned has her electric light in operation.

Cannaron has been made a presidential postoffice, with a salary of \$1,100.

The D. M. & A. has crossed Middle Cana, and is hurrying along at a lively rate toward Cedar Vale. —Belle Plain News.

The Johnson City Sentinel has been moved to Syracuse. The editor was elected probate judge, and moved the paper up to the county seat.

W. D. Kelly, late democratic candidate for state auditor, has been appointed postal clerk on the Santa Fe between Kansas City and Pueblo.

A confidence man named Perry Adams was arrested at Topeka last week. He robbed a passenger on the Santa Fe of \$50 at three card monte.

Gen. Joseph E. Knap, of Leavenworth, who commanded a Pennsylvania brigade during the war, has had his application for a pension granted. It dates back to September 16, 1865.

Secretary of State Allen says that nearly 200 railroads have been chartered in Kansas during this year. This is more than twice the number chartered in any other state.

The Chicago, Kansas and Western railroad (Santa Fe system) which is building to Chicago, and which has some ten or twelve branches in this state, is hereafter to be called the Chicago, Kansas and California railroad, and amended charters are being filed in all the states through which the road will run.

The proposition to vote bonds to the Kansas, Colorado and Texas railroad in Grant township was defeated last Tuesday by a majority of 50. This is the road that is to cross the Santa Fe at Lakin and will probably submit a proposition to the people of Stanton township in the near future. —Johnson City World.

It is very probable that the people of Atchison county will be asked to vote \$134,000 in bonds to railroads within the next sixty days, as follows: To the Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska, \$64,000; to the Len Smith road, \$30,000; to the Union Pacific for a connection with the Kansas Central at Lakin, \$40,000. The above figures are not official, but as the railroads are in the habit of asking \$4,000 a mile, they will not be much out of the way.

Major William Sims, secretary of the state board of agriculture, has issued a special report containing the product of crops for 1886. The report shows that there were 14,579,073 bushels of wheat harvested in Kansas during the past year. The following table shows the product by counties —with Barton county leading:

Allen	49,284
Anderson	55,704
Atchison	132,740
Barber	39,304
Barton	740,235
Bourbon	34,023
Brown	32,983
Butler	32,283
Chase	8,490
Chautauque	26,484
Cherokee	116,340
Cheyenne	1,434
Clark	13,369
Clay	13,558
Cloud	161,372
Comanche	13,456
Cowley	10,714
Crawford	136,165
DeWitt	30,308
Dickinson	109,682
Dodge	229,215
Douglas	411,988
Draft	20,721
Elli	66,492
Ellis	36,488
Ellsworth	86,732
Ford	10,708
Franklin	48,769
Gove	6,590
Graham	512
Grant	24,444
Graves	24,130
Hamilton	207,450
Harper	246,441
Haskell	17,769
Jefferson	40,780
Jones	140,682
Jowa	22,329
Kansas	172,340
Kearney	103,340
Kelly	6,000
Kennett	218,714
Lane	719,315
Leavenworth	474,118
Lincoln	54,922
Linn	56,972
Logan	350,152
Marion	140,220
Marshall	42,480
McPherson	7,108
Meade	45,886
Miami	235,940
Montgomery	234,228
Morris	62,010
Muskegon	83,275
Nebraska	231,680
Nemaha	47,480
Newton	136,408
Osage	20,716
Osborne	478,023
Ottawa	315,778
Pawnee	247,620
Phillips	121,072
Pottawatomie	13,038
Pratt	19,480
Rice	44,184
Reno	22,514
Republic	80,270
Sage	91,746
Seminole	203,482
Shawnee	310,232
Shelby	401,220
Silv	40,170
Sonoma	190,824
Stark	91,028
Stearns	6,513
Stewart	7,000
Sumner	151,320
Texas	207,184
Tioga	10,480
Townsend	21,484
Union	132,774
Washington	191,807
Woodson	10,306
Wyandott	22,680
Wyatt	2,400
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